

TO ADVERTISERS.

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JOB PRINTING.

Book and Job Printing, of every description, neatly executed. Terms, cash on delivery of the work.

CITY POLICE.

However much Victoria may be growing in numbers, in wealth and prosperity, we cannot close our eyes to the fact that in some other very important particulars there is still much room for complaint. We allude more particularly to the present arrangements for maintaining order in the city. It is not that as a general thing we are in a worse position in this respect than other cities on the coast, the contrary may perhaps be said to be the fact; but at the same time we cannot help perceiving that there is yet plenty of room for improvement. What is the reason for instance that all the policemen seem to be detailed for promenade the city during the night, while they seldom show their face abroad during the day. Every one sees the necessity for having the town well guarded during the night, but daily events show an equal necessity for at least some attempt being made to preserve the public peace during the day. Not a week ago the disgraceful sight might be seen of a drunken Indian floundering along one of our principal streets, recklessly striking at passers by, until his progress was cut short by a blow from an individual attacked by him. Not a single policeman was to be seen on the street, who might have prevented so disgusting a sight in a civilized community. When the matter came up before the Police Magistrate, he comes out with the lame apology that men who are on duty all night cannot be expected to be out in the day time.

No one denies that. It is quite evident that the men must have some rest. But how is that to be accomplished on board ship or in the army. Cannot the system of watches be adopted in the police force, as well as elsewhere. The number of policemen for day work need not amount to more than a very few in a town of this size for some time yet. Were one stationed in a prominent quarter, such as the corner of Yates and Government streets, and another on Johnson street, at the entrance of Market Alley, they would exercise a beneficial influence in maintaining the public peace. This would not interfere in a perceptible degree with the arrangements for keeping up a sufficient night force. If more men are required, let them be employed. If we are to pay for a police force, let it be as efficient as possible. Let it not be said that for want of a day policeman we suffer the continuance of the disgraceful scenes daily being enacted in that sink of iniquity—the Harbour. Nearly every large city has its St. Giles or its Five Points. They are, perhaps, the natural concomitants of vast aggregations of people. Here, however, we have the evil out of all proportion, without making a proper attempt to keep it within due bounds. It is in vain for the Police Commissioner to retort that the owners of houses in the locality in question should not let them to Indians and disreputable characters. None but those people will live there, and the houses will be rented. Neither the letting to, nor the residing of such characters there, is, in itself, contrary to law, but whisky selling, breaches of the peace, and the nuisance of the Police Commissioner, and should be kept in check by his keeping an officer in the neighborhood, by day as well as by night.

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

The debate in the Home Parliament this year upon the Address to the Throne seems to have, on the whole, passed off very quietly. Fortunately for the party in power, the recess has failed to be productive of many subjects capable of serving the Opposition as leaning points for any very serious attack upon the policy of their opponents. However, the "outs" seem to have made the most of the material before them. The Earl of Derby, touching upon the foreign policy of the Cabinet, administered some pretty cutting pleasantries to Earl Russell, under which the latter seems to have winced somewhat. The character of the Minister for Foreign Affairs is most admirably depicted. "The noble Earl's readiness to undertake everything," remarks the Conservative leader, "has been proverbial since the days of Sydney Smith. If there is a difficulty to be settled—if there is a new constitution to be re-organized at once—if there is any embarrassing question which has occupied the attention of statesmen for years, and almost for centuries, the noble Earl is quite ready, at a minute's notice." The chief topics of the Queen's speech touched upon, however, by the Opposition, were the allusions to Greek affairs. The one having reference to the desire of the Greeks to make Prince Alfred their King, and the determination of the Crown not to yield to that wish, and the other the proposed relinquishment of the protectorate exercised by Great Britain over the Ionian Islands by ceding them to Greece. In reference to the former, the delay of the Government in giving an answer to the Greeks was adverted to in very strong terms, both by Lord Derby in the House of Lords and by Mr. Russell in the House of Commons. On the question of ceding the Islands composing the Ionian Republic to Greece, there seems to be a great variety of opinions, though, on the whole, the general tone seems favorable to the project. The leaders of the conservatives are opposed to it. They consider it a bad precedent. Instead of looking upon those islands as a trust for the benefit of the Greeks, they seem to consider them as absolutely British territory acquired by the rights of conquest, and to be held for the protection of British interests. They place them in the same class as Malta and Gibraltar—as necessary for guarding the highway to India. The question of the precedent of giving way to the clamors of the Ionians, is thought by the Government to be redeemed by the fact that it will relieve England from the reproach of preaching what she does not practice, and that the present is the best opportunity that could be afforded to rid herself of a disagreeable and expensive responsibility. The Times, in an article on the question, shows clearly enough that the Islands could never be available as a good military station, from the impossibility of properly fortifying the whole of them except at enormous expense, and from the liability, by the capture of one of them, of the remainder being comparatively useless. These facts, we doubt not, without their influence in shaping the policy of the Government, in which we imagine they may reckon upon the support of the public.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUCTION.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, April 6,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

J. A. McCREA,

WILL SELL

AT SALESROOM, ON WHARF STREET,

ON A LIBERAL CREDIT,

Ex "SIERRA NEVADA,"

And ordered to be sold on arrival,

BOOTS!

40 cases, consisting in part as follows:

Heavy Double Sole Cavalry Boots, Steel Heels;

Heavy Calf Hungarian Boots, full nailed;

Light Calf Fremont Boots, quilted bottoms;

Light Calf Sewed Boots;

Light Calf Pegged Boots;

AFTER WHICH

CASTLE SOAP:

25 boxes Castle Soap,

—AND—

Flour, Bacon, Rice, Sugar, Lard;

Butter, Hams, Soap, Candles, Tea;

TERMS AT SALE.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.,

Auctioneers & Commission Merchants,

WHARF STREET.

AUCTION.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.

WILL SELL

THIS DAY,

MONDAY, April 6th,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

AT SALESROOM, ON WHARF STREET,

Adamantine Candles,

Coal Oil;

E. B. Syrup;

Kegs Dried Apples;

Oregon Dried Apples,

Hams and Shoulders;

Cheese;

Crackers;

Starch;

Gummes;

250 cases Brandy;

Champagne;

Walnuts—New;

Paraffine Candles;

Meat—California;

Salt Tongues.

—ALSO—

Blue Serge Shirts;

Cotton and Woolen Socks;

Moleskin Pants;

Overalls;

Fancy and White Shirts;

Turkey Red Handkerchiefs;

Silk Finish do;

White Hemmed do.

—ALSO—

China Sets;

Knives and Forks, etc., etc.

TERMS, AT SALE.

MR. ZINN,

OF GOVERNMENT STREET,

Has Just Received,

FROM NEW YORK,

A B A B Y;

LESS THAN ONE FOOT HIGH,

WHICH WILL MAKE HER FIRST APPEARANCE

AT THE

Star and Garter

CONCERT HALL!

—ON—

MONDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

4th April, 1863.

PASTER MONDAY AND TUESDAY

will be held at the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, on Monday, 4th April, 1863, at 2 P. M.

By order of the President, A. F. MAIN, Secretary.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

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Municipal Notice.

ALL PERSONS USING ANY OF THE

Professions, Trades, or Occupations, specified

named in Section 2 of the City By-Law, passed on

the 20th March, 1863, are requested to call at the

Assessor's Office, Broad street, and take out a Licence

in conformity therewith.

All persons liable to pay a Licence of one-eighth

of one cent, in accordance with Section 6 of the

City By-Law, passed 30 March, 1863, are requested

to make returns to the City Assessor, Broad street,

on or before the 5th of April, 1863.

WILLIAM LEIGH, II,

City Assessor.

EXCERPT FROM CITY BY-LAW, SEC. 24.

"Every person bound to make a return under this

Act, and failing to do so, shall be liable to a penalty

not exceeding the sum of one hundred dollars."

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Hibben & Carswell

HAVE FOR SALE

ILLUSTRATED ORNAMENTAL

BOOKS,

Uniform Libraries.

Handsome Pocket and Family Bibles,

Church Service, and Hymn Books,

Standard Miscellaneous Books!

NELSON'S,

RUTLEDGE'S,

CHAMBER'S,

HARPER BROS.

And many of the favorite Books from the principal

Eastern Publishers.

Illustrated Juvenile Books.

Embracing:

HISTORY, BIOGRAPHY, POETRY,

TRAVELS, RELIGION.

Instructional and Marvelous.

Handsome Writing Desks and Portfolios.

DIARIES FOR 1863,

NOW READY AT STATIONER'S HALL,

a great variety of styles, both Pocket and

Convenient House.

HIBBEN & CARSWELL.

STATIONERY,

Counting House; Official; Printers;

And for general uses.

FANCY STATIONERY.

Gold Pens,

ETC., ETC.

HIBBEN & CARSWELL.

FOR SALE.

A GREAT BARGAIN.

A RESTAURANT AND BOARDING

House in the heart of the city, doing a thriving

business, with all fixtures, Furniture and Stock

complete.

Books open to inspection.

Immediate application must be made to the under-

signed as the Proprietors are about leaving for

Cariboo.

W. ALFORD A. HARRIES,

House and General Agent,

Government street.

To Merchants and Others.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS MADE AR-

rangements in London for the prompt and care-

ful execution of orders of all descriptions of Mer-

chandise, &c., and is now prepared to attend to any

business that may be entrusted to him.

For further particulars apply to

ALEX. D. MACDONALD,

3 & 5, Yates street,

Oct. 1st, 1862.

Roskell's

WATCHES

appointed by this celebrated Maker, as his

SOLE AGENTS

VICTORIA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA,

And have just received from him an Assortment

of his

FIRST CLASS

Hunting Watches,

Stop Watches,

Which they offer for sale.

JANION, GREEN & RHODES.

DR. OBERJON,

FROM PARIS,

Physician, Surgeon and Accoucheur

Government street, between Yates and Johnson,

in ad of the same charitable office.

G. Treatment of all Diseases without Mercury.

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STAR AND GARTER

CONCERT HALL!

MRS. E. J. PRINDLE,

MISS M. NOVILLE,

MISS J. ATKINSON,

MR. DUNN,

MR. BROWN,

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Every Person Should Know

THAT THE

ROUTE

TO THE

CARIBOO MINES

IS VIA THE

YALE & LYTTON

WAGON ROAD!

The chained distances on the Yale and Lytton Road

are as follows:

From Yale to Boston Bar.....25 Miles

" Boston Bar to Lytton.....32 1/2 "

" Lytton to McLean.....47 1/2 "

" McLean to the Junction of

the Wagon Roads.....10 "

Distance from Yale to Junction. 124 Miles

COMPARE THE ABOVE

With the following distances set down by Lillooet

Shippers:

From Douglas to Lillooet.....110 Miles

" Lillooet to Junction.....47 "

Distance from Douglas to Junction.....157 Miles

The Junction

is the point at which the Wagon Roads intersect

each other, and where the Cariboo-bound traveller

by the Yale-Lytton and Douglas-Lillooet routes

MUST meet. It will, therefore, be seen by the above

figures that the traveller by YALE and LYTTON

has

THIRTY-THREE MILES LESS TRAVEL

Than if he went by the Douglas-Lillooet Route

Remember that on this Route there

are NO PORTAGES where Goods or Ani-

mals may be detained.

Meers, DUBHO, LAMP, BLACK, and other Car-

riers of Merchandise, advertise to

Carry Freight from Yale to Lytton

\$20 Per Ton Less

Than is or will be charged on the Douglas-Lillooet

Route.

THE NEW AND SPLENDID STEAMER

"Reliance"

Connects with the Victoria Steamer

"Enterprise"

And conveys her Freight and Passengers to Yale at

greatly reduced Rates.

Shippers

Desirous of getting Freight through to Cariboo

this season are advised to

Shun the Douglas-Lillooet Route!

And are also referred to the testimony ad-

duced in the GRANFORD CASE, wherein witness

has stated upon oath that 15, 20, or even 30

Days is a reasonable time to convey Freight from

Douglas to Lytton.

Five Days only are Required

To carry Goods from Yale to Lytton, and

Shippers are Assured

That if Freight is carried from Douglas to Lillooet

for Two Cents per lb.,

CARRIERS ARE PREPARED TO

FREIGHT FROM YALE TO LYTTON

With Safety and Despatch, for

One Cent Per Lb.!

All those who allow themselves to be crammed by

